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Dear Commissioners Chilcott, Lyons and Thompson,

While I am a proponent of a Ravalli County Water Quality District, I am concerned that the duties of the proposed hydrologist will duplicate much of what I am attempting to accomplish with my startup environmental analytical lab, Scientia, LLC, in Stevensville. Scientia offers a wide range of lab tests for water quality and also remote environmental monitoring systems and services. Since last April, I have spent a significant amount of time and money to provide Ravalli County residents with water monitoring and sampling assistance (one of the goals of the Resolution of Intention).

I believe the County would save money and WQD procedures could be implemented much more quickly by involving Scientia in the planning of the proposed district. Secondly, being a startup lab with very little name recognition or advertising in place, we could certainly use the business!

When you have a few minutes, would you please go to the website <http://www.scientiaco.com>? There you will get an idea of the capabilities of the business. We are willing and able to serve the entire County with water quality monitoring, collection, analysis and to some extent, water treatment. If you would like, I would be happy to meet and discuss this with you.

Best wishes,
David